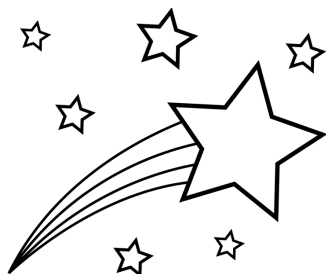


BROADSHEET

THE BOURTONS

Dec '20/Jan '21



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Welcome...

What a fabulous LightFest display – eat your heart out Blackpool! Lovely to see that we are all being 'More Karl' – I don't envy the job of the judges for either the Wreath or LightFest competitions. The Bourtons look wonderful – well done to all!

Hopefully you've seen the decorated tree adjacent to the Bell – thanks once more to David Boddington for his generosity of Xmas tree donations – a massive thank you to the children of Cropredy School for their personal decorations! Do take a moment to stop and read their messages of Kindness and Hope and feel free to add your own message also – please tie them on securely.

I must mention that we've had our Flu jabs – what an efficient process – thanks to all the team at Cropredy Surgery for first class care and logistics; perhaps a rehearsal for things to come...

Don't forget to join in the 6pm Xmas Eve door-step bell ring and enjoy the village star trails.

With best wishes for the festive season and a brighter and Happy New Year!

Sue

**The January
Community Coffee
Morning is
cancelled.**

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Community News

Bourtons' Art Group

Meet on Mondays, 10^{am} to 1^{pm}, £13pp. Until further notice these sessions are run online – please contact Barry (The Artery) on 01295 275150 for further information.

The Bell Inn will continue to offer a take away service Monday to Friday, 5-8:30^{pm}; Saturday, Noon to 8:30^{pm} and Sunday, Noon to 6^{pm}.

Opening hours are:

Monday to Thursday: 5^{pm} to 10^{pm}

Friday: 3^{pm} to 10^{pm}

Saturday: Noon to 10^{pm}

Sunday: Noon to 9^{pm}

Please call 01295 750862 for more information regarding menu and take away delivery options. When visiting the pub please observe the one-way system and social distancing guidelines.

Is your Child 3 or 4 years old?

If your child was born on or between 1st Sept 2016 and 31st Aug 2017, you need to apply for a primary school place now. You must still apply even if your child already attends a nursery attached to the school; the closing date for applications is 15th January 2021.

Apply on-line at www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/primaryadmissions - it's quick, easy and secure. For further information contact OCC by email on admissions.schools@oxfordshire.gov.uk or by telephone 0345 241 2487.

Friends of All Saints and All Saints PCC wish to say an enormous thank you for the community contributions and support to the annual Raffle – this raised an amazing £1400! We had concerns about holding the raffle this year, let alone enclosing tickets in the Broadsheet and doing the draw on Zoom! This all worked so well and we can't thank you enough for embracing the change and making it such a success. Well done to the winners and better luck next time for everyone else! We hope that 2021 allows us to hold events and get together – fingers crossed.

😊 😊 😊 😊 😊 😊 **Thank You!** 😊 😊 😊 😊 😊 😊

Cluster Care Update - during Lockdown we have been unable to provide our usual weekly session. We know that our regular members and their carers have missed their usual get together and we have missed providing it. Mo Sayer has continued to keep in weekly touch with all our regulars and a monthly visit. We know that Mo's contact has been appreciated and that all our regulars are looking forward to Cluster reopening next year. If you or someone you know would benefit from Cluster, please contact Mo on 07814 083275. In the meantime, thank you to all our supporters and fundraisers, who provide such essential support.

Need a venue?

For enquiries and bookings for the Bourtons' Halls, contact:

Village Hall:

Maggie - 01295 750497

Community Hall:

Claire – 07810 518794

or **email:**

bourtonscommunityhall@mail.com

Post Office open at Cropredy Church Rooms

Mondays & Wednesdays,
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Bourtons' Big 'THANK YOU'

Note from Julie Tomlin and Ann Brooks...

"Thank you to the Bourtons for all the support you have given us and each other in 2020.

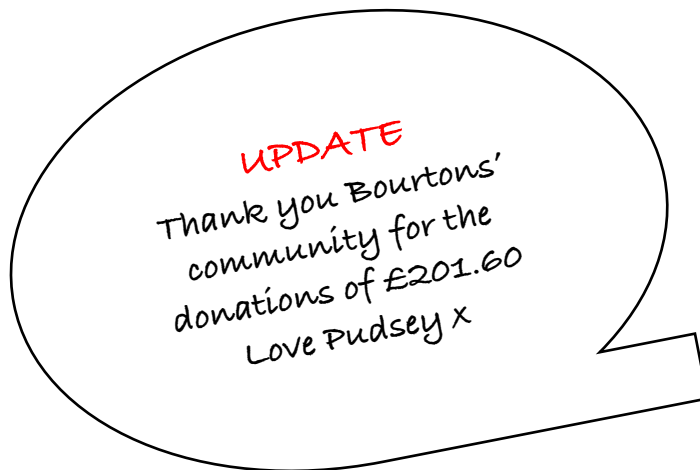
We have counted our blessings this year and been grateful to live in a place with a caring supportive community.

Whatever else happened in 2020, we all came together.

We swapped plants (Bourtons' Big Plant Swap), cleared our cupboards (Bourtons' Big GiveAway), tried to grow the tallest sunflower (Bourtons' Big Bloomers); baked and sold cakes (Bourtons' Big Bake Off), made Christmas Wreaths (Bourtons' Big Wreath Off) and adorned our houses and gardens with lights to lift the gloom in December (Bourtons' Big LightFest).

Some of these events raised money for charity. Our Bloomers raised £438 for NHS direct: our Wreaths £615 (so far) for Katharine House Hospice and our Bakes £1200 for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Thank you to everyone who took part in all of these events, giving their time, talent, enthusiasm, and great ideas. Thank you for your donations. Thank you for the memories...."



Foodbank

Contributions may be left in Church or with Gina Cumming at Greenslade, Crow Lane, GB - please leave items under covered area near door.

Items are taken to the Banbury Foodbank.

Send your used Postage Stamps to:

The British Hedgehog Preservation Society,
229 Blossomfield Road,
Solihull B91 1ST



Bourtons' Big **LIGHTFEST**

Let's Brighten the Gloom this December...

and **LIGHT UP** our gardens and homes with festive cheer!



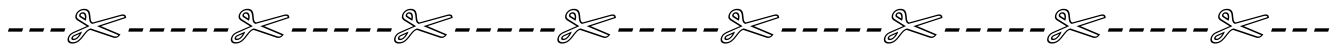
A prize for the **People's Favourite** lighting scheme

Voting closes 19th December – details will be posted on FB – if you don't use FB then please Vote by email to broadsheet@hotmail.co.uk or drop your vote into Mulberry Corner, Crow Lane, GB

“Be **MORE KARL** this Christmas!”



Please consider the environment - LED lighting preferred!



My name: _____
(Kids under 18 are allowed to vote!!)

Address: _____

Contact no: _____

I vote for _____
(Favourite address / house name, please also state GB or LB)

Thanks to Sally Leszczynski

Note from the Bourtons' Parish Council...



"Our sincere thanks go out to Sally Leszczynski, who retires from the parish council at the end of December after 25 years of exceptional service.

Sally has devoted her skills as a parish councillor and latterly as chairman. Her contribution has been exceptional, her diligence has been extraordinary and her commitment has been inspirational. All of this has been underpinned by her knowledge of the community and her in-depth knowledge for all that we as a parish council have a responsibility. Over the past few years especially, she has overseen many and various complicated projects, huge projects - far in excess of those which most parish councils have to deal with.

As well as an extensive list of planning applications and their following enforcements: Sally has overseen, the housing development in Little Bourton; the completion of a pathway to Cropredy which had been ongoing for many years; the re-siting of the parish allotments which was also a long-term project; the housing development in Great Bourton and last but not least, the provision of a fantastic Community Hall which is a wonderful addition to our parish. She has devoted so many hours to every project and waded through hundreds of documents and lengthy communications from every agency we have dealings with.

We are so sorry that Sally has retired from her parish council role but we fully understand her decision. We plan to thank Sally with a more formal occasion, hopefully at our New Community Hall which we think will be most fitting, as soon as we are able, but for now we hope she will accept our most sincere thanks for everything she has contributed for the good of our community."

Shires Edge Benefice Church Services

Note from The Revd Hilary...

"The season of Advent is upon us, please join us for worship in any of our Churches and maybe find a way to do something differently – remember darkness and light are Advent gifts. Take time to appreciate this time of year – watch a sunrise or a sunset and see the light changing. Practice a random act of kindness for someone (or yourself!) and/or put aside some money for charity. Take a 3 mins break away from those screens – light a candle, be still, take time, become aware of your breath, use an Advent prayer 'Come Lord Jesus, may the gifts of Advent bless you into the joy of Christmas'.

December 2020

24 th Thurs	10 ^{am}	Mollington	Holy Communion
	4 ^{pm}	Wardington	Outdoor carols followed by Christmas Communion
	11 ^{pm}	Cropredy	Midnight Mass
25 th Fri	9:30 ^{am}	Claydon	Holy Communion
	11 ^{am}	Gt Bourton	
27 th Sun	10 ^{am}	Zoom	Prayers

January 2021

3 rd Sun	10 ^{am}	Cropredy	Holy Communion
	10 ^{am}	Wardington	Family Service - Epiphany
10 th Sun	11 ^{am}	Gt Bourton	Holy Communion
	4 ^{pm}	Claydon	Evening Prayer
17 th Sun	10 ^{am}	Mollington	Morning Prayer
	10 ^{am}	Wardington	Family Communion
24 th Sun	8:30 ^{am}	Claydon	BCP Holy Communion
	10 ^{am}	Cropredy	Morning Prayer
31 st Sun	10 ^{am}	Mollington	Holy Communion
	10 ^{am}	Cropredy	Worship Group
	4 ^{pm}	Gt Bourton	Evening Prayer

For your comfort and safety please do read the notes displayed on noticeboards regarding what to expect if attending Worship.

Tuesday's Noon Zoom services continue – please call me for details and for telephone access.

Keep taking care of yourselves and others.

'Walk cheerfully over the world, answering that of God in everyone' (George Fox)

Love from Hilary"

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